IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A device for selectively positioning members relative to one another comprising;

a) a mounting member, said mounting member defining:

1) a cavity, wherein said cavity is capable of accepting a strut member;

2) ~~a channel, wherein said channel~~ an elliptical channel, wherein said elliptical channel is capable of accepting a tubular guide and oriented adjacent to said strut member; and

3) a slot, said slot capable of accepting a stud,

b) a strut member, said strut member slidably inserted into said cavity and movably disposed relative to said mounting member;

c) a means to limit displacement of said strut member within said cavity, said displacement limiting means comprising:

1) a stud, said stud attached to said strut member and slidably disposed within said slot; and

2) a tubular guide, said tubular guide within said elliptical channel and adjacent to said strut member.

2. (Previously presented) The positioning device of claim 1 wherein said stud extends into said slot and moves between two extreme positions therewithin.

3. (Previously presented) The positioning device of claim 1 wherein said strut member defines a notch, wherein said notch is capable of accepting a resilient member, a resilient member, said resilient member in frictional contact with said tubular guide.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The positioning device of claim 3 wherein said resilient member is a polymeric tube.

6. (Original) The positioning device of claim 1 wherein said mounting member is formed by extrusion.

7. (Original) The positioning device of claim 1 wherein said strut member is L-shaped.

8. (Previously presented) The positioning device of claim 1 further comprising mounting flanges, said mounting flanges attached to said mounting member.

9. (Original) The positioning device of claim 1 wherein said mounting flanges define slots.

10. (Previously presented) The positioning device of claim 1 further comprising means for engaging said strut member, said engaging means comprising:

a) a plurality of channels longitudinally disposed within said mounting member wherein said channels are capable of each accepting one tubular guide and are oriented adjacent to said strut member;

b) a plurality of tubular guides, said tubular guides disposed within said channels; and

c) means for securing said tubular guides within said channels, said securing means attached to said mounting member.

11. (Previously presented) The positioning device of claim 10 wherein said tubular guides comprise polymeric tubes.

12. (Previously presented) The positioning device of claim 10 wherein said channels each provide a cavity surrounding said tubular guides.

13. (Original) The positioning device of claim 1 wherein said mounting member is a chair seat.

14. (Withdrawn) The positioning device of claim 12 wherein said securing means are integrally formed on the ends of said guides.

15. (Withdrawn) A device for positioning members relative to one another comprising:

a) a mounting member, said mounting member defining an elliptical channel;

b) a strut member, said strut member being

movably disposed within said mounting member;

c) means to retain said strut member, said retaining means for limiting displacement of said strut member relative to said mounting member, said retaining means comprising:

a stud, said stud being fixedly attached to said strut member, said stud being slidably disposed relative to said slot in said mounting member; and

d) a means to selectively adjust the position of said strut member relative said mounting member, said mounting member defining a slot, and a plurality of notches and teeth along one side of said slot, a flexible stud, said flexible stud affixed to said strut for selective engagement within said notches.

16. (Withdrawn) The positioning device of claim 16 wherein said flexible stud defines a cavity.

17. (Previously presented) A device for selectively positioning members relative to one another comprising:

a) a mounting member, said mounting member defining:

1) a cavity, wherein said cavity is capable of accepting a strut member;

2) an elliptical channel, wherein said elliptical channel:

i) is capable of accepting a tubular guide;

ii) is oriented adjacent to said strut member while providing space for displacement of a tubular guide when force is exerted upon said tubular guide; and

3) a deformable tubular guide, said tubular guide disposed within said elliptical channel; and

b) a strut member, said strut member slidably inserted into said cavity and movably disposed relative to said mounting member.

18. (Previously Presented) The positioning device of claim 17 wherein said tubular guide is cylindrically shaped.

19. (Previously Presented) The positioning device of claim 17 wherein said mounting member is formed by extrusion.

20. (Previously presented) The positioning device of claim 17 wherein:

a) said strut member is L-shaped; and

b) said mounting member further defines an elongated slot for slidably receiving a protruding stud and a plurality of mounting slots for mounting the mounting member to the chair.